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Letter dated 25 June 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith the text, in English and French, of a statement of the European Economic Community and its member States on the violence in South Africa, issued at Lisbon and Brussels on 23 June 1992 (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as an official document of the General Assembly under item 33 of the preliminary list.

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ANNEX

Statement on the violence in South Africa issued at Brussels and Lisbon on 23 June 1992 by the European Economic Community

The European Economic Community and its member States express their shock at the recent appalling incidents of violence in South Africa, particularly in Boitapong, which have taken a toll of innocent human life.

The European Economic Community and its member States, which had welcomed the signing of the national peace accord in September 1991, and all further efforts to bring an end to violence, expect all parties concerned to fully respect their commitments.

The European Economic Community and its member States urge the Government of South Africa to investigate these incidents rapidly and thoroughly, so that those responsible are punished and note its commitment to do so. They also call upon the leaders of all parties concerned in South Africa to persevere with determination on the peaceful path to a non-racial democracy, representative of all South Africans, initiated in the framework of the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (Codesa).